

ner. To this end he uses that phase of life experience which will help in the systematic training of the pupil to reach a higher level rather than connects all arithmetic with life experience. He brands as fallacious the idea of seeking to provide a motive for learning a process before it is taught. He makes the child's goals (1) understanding, (2) accuracy, and (3) speed.

Many definite helps and ideas for teaching the meanings and processes of elementary arithmetic are given. One of the most interesting is to emphasize the importance of ten, grouping all numbers beyond nine as tens and dealing with them as such; another is to teach the meaning of zero as a place holder, thus eliminating all zero combinations as meaningless and useless.

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NEWS OF THE COLLEGE

With a total of 920 students registered for classes, the enrolment for the fall quarter of this year has reached a new high in the history of the college. Of this number 734 are boarding students and 186 are enrolled as day students.

Eight hundred and three girls are from the State of Virginia, while 14 other states are represented as follows: West Virginia, 30; New York, 28; Maryland, 25; North Carolina, 8; District of Columbia, 5; New Jersey, 4; Georgia, Connecticut and Massachusetts, 2 each; Texas, Indiana, Mississippi, Florida, Pennsylvania, and South Carolina, 1 each. There are 4 students from Puerto Rico and 1 from Cuba, making a total of 117 out-of-state students.

The 292 students registered for the Home Economics course is the largest number enrolled in any curriculum. The course for elementary teaching comes next with a total registration of 286. One hundred and eighty-seven students have registered for the course for high school teaching. Twenty-five students are now working for a Bachelor of Arts degree, and 31 are taking the pre-nursing course. The course for

nurses of the Rockingham Memorial Hospital has an enrolment of 37, while there are 62 students taking special courses.

The Freshman class is the largest on campus, having a total of 341 members. The Sophomore class comes next with 239 members. There are 145 Juniors and 133 Seniors.

Eighty-two students of the college this year are recipients of scholarships, 62 of them paid by the National Youth Administration and 20 offered by the College. The NYA allotment to the college this year totals \$930 a month, a slight cut from the \$1,275 per month received by HTC students last year.

The first number in the entertainment series will be on November 1, when Cornelia Otis Skinner will be presented in a program of dramatic readings. Other numbers scheduled will include the Jooss European Ballet on February 23, and the American Repertory Theatre, on a date undecided.

Numbers for Homecoming in the spring have not yet been booked.

HTC will be host to the annual tournament of the Virginia Field Hockey Association November 5 and 6, for the first time since 1930. About 15 colleges have been invited to participate, bringing over 150 undergraduate hockey players to the campus. Games will be played on the afternoon of the fifth and the morning and afternoon of the sixth. The tournament luncheon is also scheduled for the sixth.

Outstanding assembly exercises were held September 22 when Dr. William E. Dodd, ambassador to Germany, delivered the fall convocation address, and on September 29 when memorial exercises to the late Senator George N. Conrad were held and his portrait was presented to the college by the Alumnae Association.

Dr. Dodd, formerly on the faculty of the University of Chicago, in his address discussed the efforts of majorities to assert their will in democratic government, holding that strongly entrenched minorities often checked the fullest expression of majority rule. He stated that the world is in such a complicated condition that it is difficult to draw any conclusions at the present time, but that democracy is now in the gravest dangers it has been in since the seventeenth century. "If we can't save democracy," he declared, "it will go down all over Europe also."

With Evelyn Murrell, freshman of Lynchburg, as the bride, and Evelyn Vaughn, also of Lynchburg, president of the Senior Class, as the bridegroom, the annual Old Girl-New Girl wedding was celebrated October 14 at 4:45 o'clock in Wilson Auditorium.

Officiating minister for the final step in molding the old and new into one student body was Virginia Blain, of Clifton Forge, president of the Student Government Association.

The maid of honor was Margaret Weil, of Alexandria. Other new girls acting as bridesmaids were Inez Craig, of Bassett; Evelyn Reed, of Petersburg; Charlotte Townsend, of Hagerstown, Md.; Dorothy Grubbs, of Norfolk; Gwendolyn Truehart, of Brandon; Marine Aleshire, of Luray; Gene Ballard, of Richmond; and Gay Pritchette, of Salisbury, Md.

Martha Ligon, of Clarksville, was ring bearer; Judy Vinyard, of Vinton, and Anna Belle Tucker, of Norfolk, were flower girls; and Maxine Shank, of Harrisonburg, was chauffeur.

Student council members, major officers of the campus, and class presidents made up the rest of the wedding party.

The Schoolma'am, issued in June 1937, was recently awarded a first-class honor rating of excellent in the yearbook critical

survey of the National Scholastic Press Association. With over 100 points to spare above the average in its class, the local annual needed only 45 more points to win All-American, superior rating, the highest awarded by the Association. This distinction has been held by the HTC yearbook every year it has been a member of the Press Association.

Edited by Ethel Cooper, of Winchester, the theme of the book was "the beauty of the campus as a background for the portrayal of campus life." Annie Glenn Darden, of Holland, and Vergilia Pollard, of Scottsville, served as business manager and art editor, respectively, while Miss Elizabeth Cleveland was again the faculty adviser. The dedication was to Miss Grace Palmer, of the art department, a sponsor of the publication.

Four representatives of student publications, *The Breeze* and *The Schoolma'am*, attended the Associated Collegiate Press Convention held in Chicago at the Medinah Club, October 14 to 16.

The delegates included Helen Shular, East Stone Gap, and Jennie Spratley, Dendron, editor and business manager of the annual, and Dolores Phalen, Harrisonburg, and Ila Arrington, Pembroke, holding the same positions respectively on the newspaper.

They heard special round table discussions of current editorial and business management problems led by experts in each field. In addition to this they had an opportunity to tour Chicago newspaper, printing, engraving, and cover-making plants.

The college was represented at another fall convention October 17 to 23, when two faculty members, Mrs. Bernice R. Varner and Miss Clara G. Turner, with seven students attended the annual meeting of the American Dietetics Association, held this year in Richmond.

Mrs. Varner, who is vice-president of

the Virginia Dietetics Association, was co-chairman of the hospitality committee for the convention. Miss Turner served on the entertaining committee.

All Southern colleges which have courses in Home Economics and institutional management approved by the American Dietetics Association sent groups of graduating students to serve as ushers. Representing HTC were Annie Laura Crance, of Clifton Forge; Margaret Briggs, Homeville; Katherine Marsh, Washington, D. C.; Catherine Falls and Evelyn Terrell, both of Richmond; Agnes Thompson, Lexington, and Ethyl Najjum, Roanoke.

A large number of Alumnæ of the college were also present at this national meeting, the first one to be held in the South.

Also representing the college at another convention, Maria Bowman, of Staunton, attended the annual meeting of the American Country Life Association held at the Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kan., during the week of October 11. She made a talk on "Leisure, Crafts, and Hobbies" before the convention and led a discussion group on the same topic.

Professor Conrad T. Logan, head of the English department, was recently elected president of the Rockingham Library Association to succeed Rev. Walter Williams, who resigned because of ill health.

Mr. Logan was one of the pioneers in the library movement in the city of Harrisonburg. He has taken an active part in the operation of the library, having served as a member of the board of trustees since its establishment.

As a startling and breath-robbing opening for Stratford's list of fall activities, the dramatic club is planning to present "The Ninth Guest" by Owen Davis on Saturday, October 23. The play will be given with the same cast which produced it during the first term of the summer session.

To follow up the mystery play, the club

has started rehearsals for "Marriage Market" by Alice Gerstenberg. The play is one of the few excellent dramas employing only women actors.

For his 18th year, President Samuel P. Duke led a company of approximately 150 students on the climb up Massanutten Peak Saturday, October 16. Professor Raus M. Hanson was in charge of a second group of about the same size which started an hour later. On the return a number visited Massanutten Caverns.

Breaking a jinx of the past two years, a determined old-girl team won the annual Old Girl-New Girl basketball game played Saturday night, October 2, by a score of 23 to 10.

Mrs. James C. Johnston, coach, stated that she had an abundance of varsity material in the new girl line-up.

ALUMNAE NOTES

ALUMNAE LUNCHEON IN RICHMOND

The Harrisonburg Alumnæ Luncheon will be held at the Richmond Hotel on Thanksgiving Day at 12 noon. The Richmond chapter is attending to the necessary details. Last year about fifty attended the luncheon; we are hoping to have a larger number this year.

CHAPTER NEWS

The Richmond alumnæ gave a luncheon on September 18 for the new students attending Harrisonburg. Rachel Brothers Eure, '31, is president of the Richmond chapter.

Pam Parkins Thomas, who has been the energetic and active president of the Norfolk Alumnæ chapter, has moved to Toledo, Ohio. Evelyn Watkins, '34, is the new president.

The Harrisonburg Alumnæ chapter sponsored a benefit bridge party on October 4. Ten homes of alumnæ were opened for tables of bridge, with about fifty foursomes at play.